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Eagle Paper Mill (1872-1920) Kaukauna, WI



Vincent Lombardi House (1959) Allouez, WI



First National Bank (1926) Baraboo, WI



Charles A. & Sarah Jones House (1896) Burlington, WI

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WISCONSIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY & HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Wisconsin is home to a variety of historic structures that have played a large role in our history and culture. Yet, these buildings can be imperiled. The Wisconsin Historical Society (WHS) works to balance the need to preserve our significant resources and help them meet 21st century needs.



John & Eliza Richards House (1854) Watertown, WI

MANY TYPES OF STRUCTURES HAVE HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE

Houses may depict certain architectural styles; while mills and factories may be associated with a community's origins and growth. Similarly, barns may embody ethnic building techniques, and bridges may represent technological innovations. These are a few examples of the building types that might be historically significant and, therefore, eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

BENEFITS OF ARCHITECTURAL & HISTORICAL INTENSIVE SURVEYS

A thorough local survey offers many long-term benefits: they evaluate properties for nomination to the honorary National Register of Historic Places; facilitate decision-making about the potential impact of government funded or licensed projects on properties; benefit protection of local districts and properties by local preservation commissions; and boost private investment in renovation and preservation of historic buildings for new uses. Over the years, architectural surveys in town after town have provided the first step toward preservation success stories--directing new attention to familiar sights and encouraging citizens to rescue long neglected houses, rejuvenate traditional neighborhoods, and focus new investment in the economy and quality of life in historic town centers.



Sheboygan Theater (1928) Sheboygan, WI



Bert & Mary Cunningham Round Barn (1915) Viroqua, WI

YOUR ROLE IN THIS PROCESS

You are encouraged to offer comments during this process. The intensive survey process involves a combination of professionals, agencies, and local land-owners, as well as interested groups and individuals. Public information meetings are held to present the information compiled by these groups and to keep you informed. You are encouraged to write or call as soon as possible. Do you have information or historic photos about a historic building that is located in a current survey project area? We would love to hear from you!



L.L. Disbro House (1892) Whitefish Bay, WI